

June 21, 2017

Mr. Randy Fiorini, Chair Delta Stewardship Council 980 9th Street, Suite 1500 Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Draft Proposed Delta Plan Amendments for Conveyance, Storage and Operations

Dear Chair Fiorini:

North Orange County Chamber (NOCC) supports the goals of providing a reliable water supply for California and restoring the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta through the Stewardship Council's proposal to amend the Delta Plan for improved conveyance, storage and water supply operations.

The Delta Plan provides key guidance to local state and federal agencies and helps to coordinate their many actions related to water management. Particularly important are those actions that must be reviewed by the Delta Stewardship Council to ensure that they are consistent with the overall Delta Plan, including but not limited to any modernization of the existing water plan through the state-federal proposal known as California WaterFix.

The draft plan amendments before you acknowledge that the status quo in the Delta is unacceptable for both the Delta environment and the California economy. NOCC agrees with this assessment and the guidance to modernize the system by constructing new water intakes in a manner that protects the Delta as an evolving place. Amending the Delta Plan in this manner will provide important and balanced direction. NOCC encourages you to initiate the necessary environmental review process to formally amend your draft into the Delta Plan.

NOCC is the voice of the business community in North Orange County representing 2,300 business members throughout region. We actively work to build stronger communities and advocate for a healthy business climate.

Thank you for your consideration and your efforts to improve California water management, Delta science and restoration.

Sincerely,

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